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Re: "Licensing and Training of Pilots, Flight Instructors, and Ground Instructors Outside the United States; Final Rule," Docket No. FAA-98-45 18

Ladies and Gentlemen:

On behalf of 50,000 pilots at 50 airlines, the Air Line Pilots Association wishes to comment in favor of the above FAA Final Rule.

Provided the JAA also removes restrictive geographic language from the JAR-FCL process, this ruling prevents job losses at a number of U.S. flight training organizations that currently train European pilots.

Organizations training pilots outside the U. S . for FAA licenses will still be required to obtain authority from the FAA to operate, and oversight as to quality control will be maintained by regular inspections.

ALPA supports this final rule. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

Roland Liddell, Chairman  
Pilot Training Committee

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